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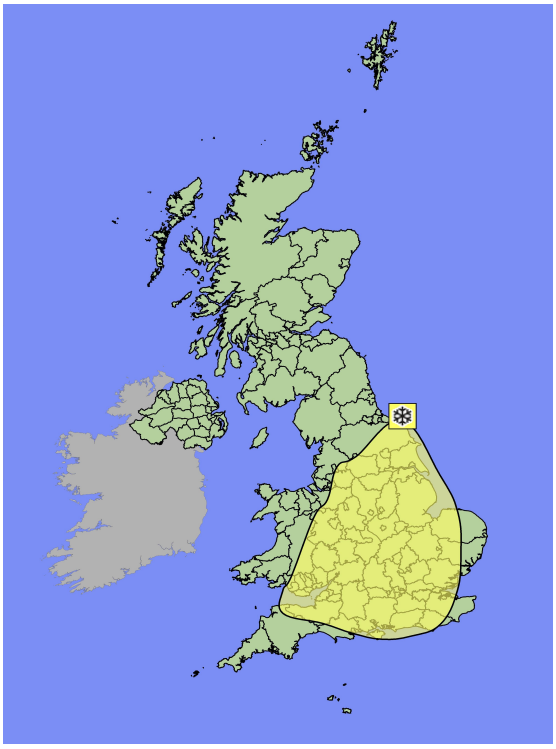

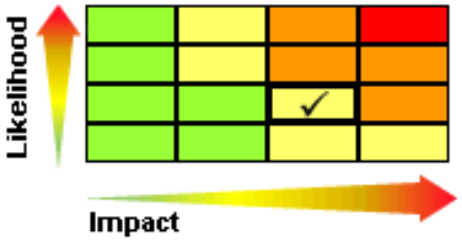

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A frontal zone is expected to become slow-moving alongside the cold air mass that is currently in place over much of England and Wales. As this happens rain will turn to snow with some significant accumulations possible in places. There are however uncertainties regarding exactly where the snow will fall, and how much snow there will be. In some regions, notably the West Midlands, east Wales and parts of southwest England there is the added complication that, instead of snow, rain could fall onto frozen surfaces giving widespread ice.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Snow**

Valid from **16:00 on Thu, 09th Feb 2012** until **12:00 on Fri, 10th Feb 2012**

An area of snow over parts of east and southeast England later on Thursday will continue to extend steadily southwestwards into central and some southwestern parts of England, as well as the east of Wales. Whilst there remains some uncertainty regarding where the heaviest and most persistent snow will fall, accumulations of 1 to 5 cm are likely quite widely with a risk of up to about 10 cm in the worst affected regions. These larger depths are most likely in an area from the East Midlands down towards parts of central southern England. Later in the night the snow is expected to die out across northern, eastern and much of central England to be followed by widespread ice on untreated surfaces. The public should be aware that, as a result, there could be some disruption to travel.

This is an update to a warning issued earlier today. The risk area has been extended eastwards to cover more of southeast England.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk_forecast_warnings.html

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  - Nottinghamshire
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  - Bedford
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  - Hertfordshire
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  - Norfolk
  - Peterborough
  - Southend-on-Sea
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  - Bristol
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